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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Sir

In response to the outstanding Office Action dated November 28, 2007, please amend the above-identified application as follows: